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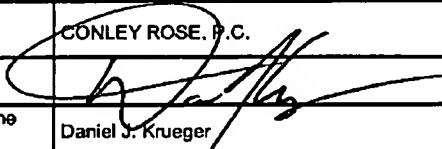
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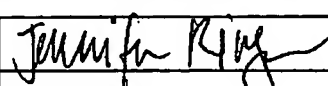
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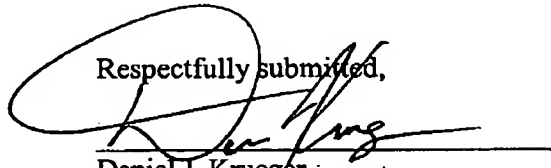
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The attorney of record for this matter received the submitted unsolicited comments from the co-inventor of record, Abdel M. Zellou. These comments have been previously made of record as part of a Petition for filing on behalf of non-signing inventor (37 C.F.R. 1.47), but the assignee of record, Veritas DGC Inc., wishes to ensure that these comments are fully considered by the

examiner in judging the patentability of the claims. Veritas does not agree with Mr. Zellou's assertions, but wishes to assure full compliance with its duty of candor.

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